

BVA / Adopt-A-Platoon Team

Please help us fill some of the requests of our newest platoon.

We will support them from July 2013 thru March 1, 2014

There are approximately **34** Soldiers, including **3** females, in our newest US Army Platoon. They are deployed from Ohio to Afghanistan until sometime in April 2014. Our Soldiers live in B-huts, have non-potable running water for bathing *sometimes* and 220 & 110V generated power. There is a small Mess Tent available with designated hours and there was no mention of a **PX** store. Our Soldiers live in a very remote outpost where mail and supplies like hygiene and other comfort items are very hard to come by. Care packages will help with needed items and snacks.

REQUESTS: Dry cereal, powdered milk/sugar packets, lots of protein foods: Assorted protein snacks (nuts, granola bars, jerky, short slim jims) pop-top canned pasta meals, tuna, chicken, salmon pouches, sardines, crackers, drink mix singles and condiment packs (BBQ, hot sauce, ketchup etc) for MRE's (meals ready to eat). Assorted toiletries for both genders: toothpaste, mouth wash, deodorant, bar/liquid body wash, shampoo & conditioner in one, baby wipes, feminine hygiene items, foot/body powder, hand/body lotion and anything to help boost Soldier's morale: letters/mail, current magazines, books, puzzle books, DVD's, board games, other recreation items and blank greeting cards to send home, pens etc. They have limited activities for the Soldiers during their "down time" when not at work.

Special Request: sports equipment such as footballs, basketballs, etc.

Not Needed: Hand sanitizer or batteries.

Warm Weather Suggestions: sunscreen w/high SPF, Cortisone Cream (anti-itch cream), medicated body powder (for heat rash) (April-November)

Cold weather needs: hand and foot warmers, wool blend black/brown boot socks, instant soups, and hot drink mixes. (November-April)